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In re Application of :  
Randall S. Alberte et al. :  
Application No. 09/406,184 :  
Filed: September 23, 1999 :  
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**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 29, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner in reply to the final Office action mailed December 12, 2001, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 have been obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on March 13, 2002.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Latrice Bond at (703) 308-6911.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 1617 for processing the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed with the instant petition.

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